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Applicant: James A. Haigh et al.) Group Art Unit: 2859
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Title: Crossing Control Arm Assembly) Docket No.: 0738.3039.005

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2004.

Claims 1-30 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-3 and 15-20 have been rejected. Claims 1, 15 and 16 have been amended. Claims 2, 3 and 17 have been rewritten in independent form.

Claims 4-14 and 21-24 have been objected to. Claims 3, 9 and 20 have been amended to remove the objection to claims 4-14 and 21-24.

Claims 4, 7, and 13 have also been amended.

Claims 25-34 have been added.

The drawings have been objected to. A proposed drawing amendment to remove the objection is attached for the Examiner's approval.

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